



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>In re U.S. Patent Application of</b>	)	
<b>KAGEHIRO et al.</b>	)	
<b>Application Number: 10/715,367</b>	)	<b>Art Unit 2624</b>
<b>Filed: November 19, 2003</b>	)	
<b>For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR TRACING</b>	)	<b>Examiner Andrae S. Allison</b>
<b>BANK NOTES</b>	)	
<b>Attorney Docket No. HITA.0461</b>	)	
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on January 24, 2007, the period of response to which is set to expire on April 24, 2007, with the payment of the appropriate government extension fee for one month. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: